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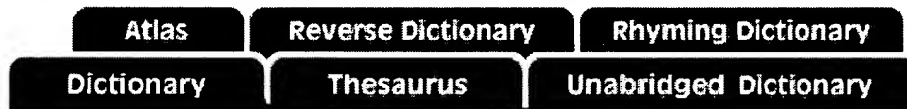
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Function: *verb*

Inflected Form(s): **-ut·ed; -ut·ing**

Etymology: Latin *contributus*, past participle of *contribuere*, from *com-* + *tribuere* to grant -- more at [TRIBUTE](#)

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transitive senses

1 : to give or supply in common with others

2 : to supply (as an article) for a publication

intransitive senses

1 **a** : to give a part to a common fund or store **b** : to play a significant part in bringing about an end or result

2 : to submit articles to a publication

- **con·trib·u·tor** /-by&-t&r, -b&- , -"byü-/ *noun*

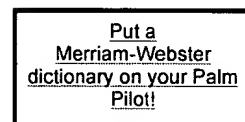
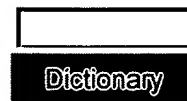
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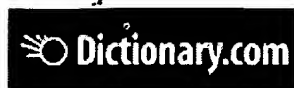
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con·tri·bu·tion **Pronunciation Key** (kŏn trĭ-byŭōō' shən)

n.

1. The act of contributing.
2. Something contributed.
3. A payment exacted for a special purpose; an impost or a levy.
4. An article or other work submitted for publication.

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\Con`tri*bu"tion\, n. [L. contributio: cf. F. contribution.] 1. The act of contributing.

2. That which is contributed; -- either the portion which an individual furnishes to the common stock, or the whole which is formed by the gifts of individuals.

A certain contribution for the poor saints which are at jerusalem. --Rom. xv. 26.

Aristotle's actual contributions to the physical sciences. --Whewell.

3. (Mil.) An irregular and arbitrary imposition or tax leved on the people of a town or country.

These sums, . . . and the forced contributions paid by luckless peasants, enabled him to keep his stragglng troops together. --Motley.

4. (Law) Payment, by each of several jointly liable, of a share in a loss suffered or an amount paid by one of their number for the common benefit.

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n 1: any one of a number of individual efforts in a common endeavor: "I am proud of my contribution to the team's success"; "they all did their share of the work" [syn: part, share] 2: a voluntary gift (as of money or service or ideas) made to some worthwhile cause [syn: donation] 3: act of giving in common with others for a common purpose especially to a charity [syn: donation] 4: an amount of money contributed; "he expected his contribution to be repaid with interest" 5: a writing for publication especially one of a collection of writings as an article or story

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con·trib·ute  **Pronunciation Key** (kən-trīb'yoot)

v. con·trib·ut·ed, con·trib·ut·ing, con·trib·utes

v. *tr.*

1. To give or supply in common with others; give to a common fund or for a common purpose.
2. To submit for publication: *contributed two stories to the summer issue.*

v. *intr.*

1. To make a contribution: *contributes to several charities.*
2. To help bring about a result; act as a factor: *Exercise contributes to better health.*
3. To submit material for publication.

[Latin *contribuere*, *contribūt-*, *to bring together* : *com-*, *com-* + *tribuere*, *to grant*; see **tribute**.]

con·trib·u·tive *adj.*con·trib·u·tive·ly *adv.*con·trib·u·tive·ness *n.*con·trib·u·tor *n.*

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\Con*trib"ute\, v. t. [imp. & p. p. Contributed; p. pr. & vb. n. Contributing.] [L. contributus, p. p. of contribuere to bring together, to add; con- + tribuere to grant, impart. See Tribute.] To give or grant i common with others; to give to a common stock or for a common purpose; to furnish or suply in part; to give (money or other aid) for a specified object; as, to contribute food or fuel for the poor.

England contributes much more than any other of the allies. --Addison.

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\Con*trib"ute\, v. i. 1. To give a part to a common stock; to lend assistance or aid, or give something, to a common purpose; to have a share in any act or effect.

We are engaged in war; the secretary of state calls upon the colonies to contribute. --Burke.

2. To give or use one's power or influence for any object; to assist.

These men also contributed to obstruct the progress of wisdom. --Goldsmith.

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v 1: of a quality, as in: "Her presence lends a certain cachet to the company"; "The music added a lot to the play"; "She brings a special atmosphere to our meetings"; "This adds a light note to the program" [syn: lend, impart, bestow, add, bring] 2: contribute to some cause; "I gave at the office" [syn: give, chip in, kick in] 3: be conducive to; "The use of computers in the classroom lead to better writing" [syn: lead, conduce] 4: provide; "The city has to put up half the required amount" [syn: put up]

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